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Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Memorandum of Lease Agreement, dated as of April 18, 2003, a primary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Lessor:

MRC Rail Services. LLC

5215 Old Orchard Road

Suite 505

Skokie, IL 60077

Lessee:

Mississippi Power Company 2992 West Beach Blvd Gulfport, MS 39501

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

240 railcars MBKX 3001 - MBKX 3240

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A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Memorandum of Lease Agreement

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$30.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours

Robert W. Alvord

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MEMORANDUM OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MRC RAIL SERVICES, LLC ("LESSOR")

AND

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY ("LESSEE")

April 18, 2003

Memorandum of a Lease Agreement made and entered into as of April 18, 2003 by and between MRC Rail Services, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, ("Lessor") and Mississippi Power Company, a Mississippi corporation ("Lessee").

WITNESSETH:

1. Lessor has agreed to furnish to Lessee, and Lessee has agreed to lease from Lessor 240 Johnstown America Autoflood III's bearing marks and numbers as follows:

MBKX 3001-3240 inclusive

2. The Lease Agreement shall be effective as of the date first set forth hereinabove and shall be subject to the lease term, as described in the Lease Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed by their respective corporate officers as of the date and year first above written.

Lessor: MRC Rail Services, LLC

By: Title:

Date:

Lessee: Mississippi Power Company

By: Title:

Date: 4-23-03

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

On this day of MAY, 2003, before me personally appeared HARRY LANDER, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the VICE PRESIDENT of MRC Rail Services, LLC that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation, and he acknowledged that the execution of the said instrument was his free act and deed.

> OFFICIAL SEAL **TERESA TAYLOR** NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 6-24-2006

Africa Galene Goodne

My commission expires:

COUNTY OF Jefferson

On this 23 day of April, 2003, before me personally appeared Shelby Walker, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Manager fuel Services of Mississippi Power Co that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation, and he acknowledged that the execution of the said instrument was his free act and deed.

My commission expires

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF ALABAMA AT LARGE MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: Mar 14, 2007 BONDED TEMU NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS